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Service Division

Committee on European Satellites

(Eusat Committee Meeting - 11th Meeting -1330 2 May 1956)

Present:

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The entire meeting was concerned with the topic "ORR Intelligence Reports", particular attention being given to a description of the types of reports published by ORR. [REDACTED], Senior Editor, St/PR, gave a brief talk and led the discussion on the subject. He stated that there were 4 types of formal reports published by ORR at the present time, namely, (1) RR, a more or less definitive scholarly type of paper the estimates in which are considered by ORR to be quite firm; (2) PR, similar to the RR but estimates and conclusions are somewhat tentative pending further study; (3) IM, a shorter research paper generally which discusses a problem of current interest; and (4) RA, a research aid rather than a substantive intelligence report. It is noteworthy that the IM recently has become a very significant type of report commanding more attention than RR or PR publications. Consequently, there is a tendency to stress reporting of economic problems and developments of a more current nature. The timely aspect of reports now published by ORR is also reflected in the fact that the cut-off date must be much nearer the publication date than was required in the past.

25X1A9a At the direction of the Chief, D/S, the Eusat Committee on 1 May briefed [REDACTED] both of whom will undertake important [REDACTED] in the near future.

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Arrangements for next week's (Wednesday 9 May) program have not been completed but efforts are being made to secure a specialist from another division to discuss the subject of his interest in the Eusat area. It is intended that this talk will be the first of a series by various specialists from other divisions. Committee members are urged to convene promptly at 1330 hours.

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Chairman

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